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Applicants : Jean Gariepy et al.

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Mail Stop Amendment

Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

This is in reply to the July 24, 2009 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). With the extension, the deadline for filing a reply is on or before November 24, 2009. Thus, this reply is timely filed.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

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